

TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, THURSDAY, JUNE 21, 1951

Eleven

Y Campers Signing For Mountain Trek

Business has been brisk around the Torrance YMCA offices this week as scores of the Polo-Shirt division of the Adventurers' Club signed up to make the week-long outing in the mountains at the annual YMCA camp scheduled for the week beginning July 3.

Among the first in line to sign up for the annual trip was Lloyd C. Finch Jr., 13, who is about to make his fifth trip to the mountains with the YMCA.

Vandals Net \$3 In Church Jobs

Two local churches were this weekend victims of vandals who broke into the edifices, but netted only \$3 for their night's work, according to Torrance police reports.

The Episcopal Church, was discovered Monday morning by Jack Miller, 1322 Eucracia avenue, to have been broken into. Nothing was reported missing.

The Walteria Gospel Tabernacle Church was also entered, but robbed of \$3, according to Rev. Doyle Cahill, 3819 Newton street.

Last year the campers went to Little River Valley.

60 SIGN-UP

More than 60 young Torrance area campers have signed up for this year's trip, Isbell said. He still has room for about 40 more. The quotas for Torrance have been increased over those of last year when only 60 campers could make the week-long camp.

A program including swimming, hiking, archery, handicrafts, horseback riding, athletic games and campfire entertainment will be featured. The trip to the camp will be made by chartered bus and the week will cost each boy \$23.50, which covers all expenses.

Camp Round Meadow is within hiking distance of San Geronimo Peak, Dollar Lake, and other popular hiking objectives. It is the largest of the Los Angeles YMCA camps and is situated at an altitude of 6300 feet.

Boys interested in signing up for the trip may contact Isbell at the YMCA building at the corner of Plaza del Amo and Arlington avenue.



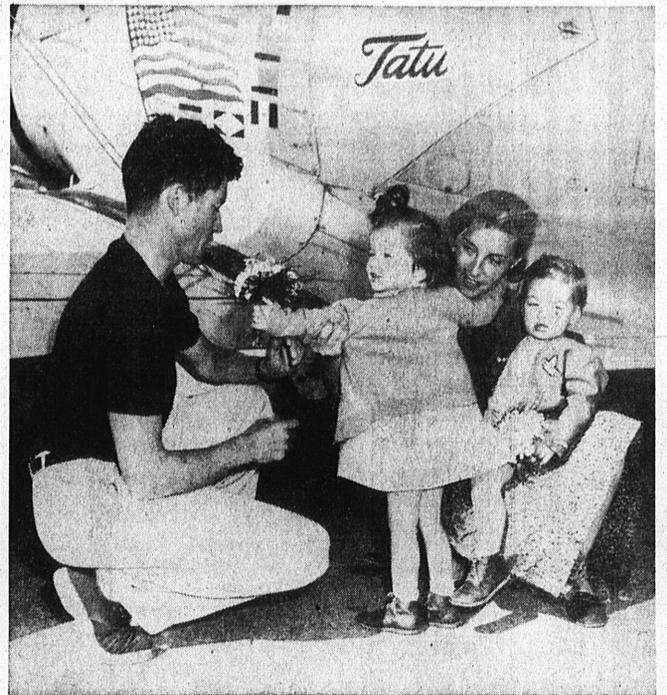
JOE BAY Earns Optometry Degree Photo Arts Studio

COMPLETES OPTOMETRY TRAINING

Joe Bay, a veteran of four years' service with the Marines during World War II, was among the 138 seniors recently completing the new five-year course in optometry offered by the Los Angeles College of Optometry.

After Bay ended a hitch as a Navy Pharmacist Mate on duty with the Marines on a score of South Pacific islands with the First Marine Air Wing, he worked as a laboratory technician for Dr. Clarence Ingold, local optometrist. He is a graduate of Torrance High School class of 1938.

His wife, Mrs. Nadine Bay, is classified advertising manager of the Torrance Herald. They live at 2528 Torrance boulevard. His mother, Mrs. Anna Bay, lives at 2003 Gramercy avenue.



WELCOME BACK... Hampden and Christina Wentworth received a real mommy and daddy welcome from Francisca, 3, and Christopher, 2, when the flying couple landed at Torrance Municipal Airport Friday after a 18,000 mile business-pleasure trip across South America. Their flag-bedecked biplane is called Tatu, their children's baby talk version of "Thank You." (Herald photo).

Till Short \$30 After Hair Leave

While he answered road questions for one man, another rifled the till of \$30, Ralph Hastings, service station attendant, told Torrance police Monday morning.

Hastings, operating a service station at 22855 Arlington avenue, described the two men as Mexicans about 23 to 27 years of age. A third man, unidentified by the station operator, sat in the car, he said.

Wentworths Spinning Yarns of Air Trip

It is yarn-spinning time in the household of the flying Hampden Wentworths. Longren Aircraft, company vice president.

The yarns being spun are of air adventures encountered during the couple's recent 18,000-mile aerial tour of Mexico, Central and South America.

The couple completed a six-weeks jaunt when Wentworth, an ex-Navy fighter pilot touched down at the Torrance Municipal airport last Friday in their staggered wing single engine Beechcraft. Their plane was the craft in which Jacqueline Cochrane won the 1938 Bendix air races.

Wentworth and his wife hit the headlines recently when the Bolivian Air Force reported the couple two days over due on a flight from Quito, highest city in the world, to a point in Bolivia. The couple were surprised to find that their forced landing on the shores of Lake Titicaca, 12,000 feet in the Andes, had "caused such a commotion back in the United States."

Their plane developed engine trouble and the local plant executive had to make an unscheduled landing in friendly Indian territory, to repair the ship. They slept for two nights in their plane on fur blankets they bought from the natives.

ENGLISH PRAISED In all, the couple logged 109 hours in the air during the 15-country trip. They had high praise for the English in the British West Indies and not so high praise for the red tape enshrined government of Cuba.

Mrs. Wentworth's knowledge of Spanish (she drove an ambulance during the Spanish Civil War) was a valuable asset on their tour of the Latin-American countries.

"When we landed in Cuba I told them I could not speak Spanish so right there in front of us they calmly discussed, in Spanish of course, how much they were going to soak us to clear us out of Cuba. They were not a little bit surprised when I threatened to mention the incident to the American Embassy. It still cost us \$50 for a health permit on our airplane," Mrs. Wentworth reported.

The tour almost came to a tragic end when Wentworth blacked out from lack of oxygen while flying through a cloud enshrouded pass at 14,000 feet in the Ecuadorian mountains. Acting as co-pilot and nurse, Mrs. Wentworth revived her pilot-husband as the plane went into a dizzy screaming dive towards one of the mountain peaks. He brought the plane out of the dive and breathed a deep sigh of relief—in oxygen.

On hand to greet the returning 32-year old pilot and his wife were the couple's three children, Peter, 16, Francisca, 3, and Christopher, 2.

El Camino to Offer Nearly 100 Classes During Summer Session

Nearly one hundred classes will be offered to residents of this area for the six week summer session starting next Monday at El Camino College. Classes, offered mainly in the afternoon and evening, are tuition free.

The condensed summer program includes courses in cultural, business, and technical subjects. Members of the regular staff will instruct.

In the cultural field, classes in creative writing, modern literature, American writers, Shakespeare, problems of modern life, Western civilization, U. S. history, the American family, child psychology, music, painting, and ceramics are offered.

BRUSH UP CLASSES With the theme of brush-up for a job, business courses in office machines, comptometry, beginning and advanced typing, principles of accounting, business mathematics, salesmanship, and office practice are among the many class listings.



REPEAT PERFORMANCE... Among the first to sign up for this year's YMCA camping program was 13-year-old Lloyd C. Finch, who has just been graduated from the eighth grade at Fern Avenue School. Finch is signing up for his fifth year in the mountains with the YMCA. Getting the lowdown from Secretary Milt Isbell is 10-year-old Bill Duncan, who is making his first trip. (Herald photo).

Thousands Expected for Fourth Annual Huck Finn Day Saturday

The Huck Finns and Becky Thatchers of the area will have their day Saturday when the Los Angeles County parks and recreation department will join the Alondra Park Anglers club in sponsoring the Fourth Annual Huck Finn day at the Alondra lake.

A major event each spring at the lake, thousands of boys and girls under 15 years of age are expected to don their patched clothes and straw hats for the occasion.

Competition will be in two main divisions this year, according to Walt Puffer, park director. Children under 10 will compete in one group, and those 11 to 15 in another.

Trophies will be given for the best Huck Finn among the boys, the best Becky Thatcher among the girls, for the largest bass caught by a young angler, and for the largest bluegill landed.

SPECIAL PRIZES Special prizes will be given for the youngest costumed Huck Finn and Becky Thatcher, and for the smallest fish and the first limit caught. (Five is the limit.)

Contestants must furnish poles and hooks, Puffer said, but live cut bait will be furnished free. The lake has been stocked with bass and bluegill by the Fish and Game commission of the state, so the fishing should be good, according to Puffer.

Events of the day will begin at 9:30 with the fishing. Judging of the Becky Thatchers and Huck Finns will begin at 10 a.m.

Presentations of trophies and other awards will climax the program at 2 p.m.

Nativity Pupils Earn Scholastic Honors

Eighth graders, 32 in all, received diplomas Friday evening June 15 in the Catholic Church of the Nativity during graduation exercises of the Nativity Catholic School.

Reverend Father Michael Moser presented the diplomas while Rev. Father Edward Sullivan gave the principal address.

Father Patrick J. McGuinness presented scholarship awards. Students honored at the exercises included Judy Bleser, who won the General Excellence Medal and was presented a scholarship by the Court St. Catherine of America; Cleon Charles Richmond, winner of a scholarship and an English medal; Jeanne Jessome, a religion medal; Janene Colombo, a spelling medal; William Carpenter, a mathematics medal and William Otis Dunmyer, a scholarship.

Receiving diplomas were: Rita Ruiz, Jacqueline Pagac, Dorothy Algarme, Elizabeth Ann Kastrop, Joan Owen, Marilyn Jeanne Clark, Elizabeth Ann Webb, Marcella Cervantes, Patricia Green.

Janet Atwood, Mary Cullen, Margaret Fedor, Charlene Gots, Judy Bleser, Jeanne Jessome, Janene Colombo, Grace Brunner, Audrey Terkmany, Marilyn Hart, Kathleen Moore.

BOYS Philip Shelton, Otis Dunmyer, Thomas Sawyer, Donald Zanke, Kenneth May, Jerry Uribe, Edward Pondray, Robert Little, Joseph Thomas, Cleon Richmond, William Carpenter, James Cowden.

Playground Safety Week Plans Listed

First special program of the summer will be emphasized on Torrance playgrounds Monday when "Safety Week," designed to promote safe practices on the playground, going to and from the play centers, and at home, will be staged.

Poster contests will be conducted and the outstanding works posted in stores and around playgrounds to encourage safety.

Judging the posters will be based on the illustrative technique, prettiness, quality of painting, color, originality, and neatness.

Square Dancing

Square dances will continue throughout the summer on the second and fourth Fridays of each month at the Civic Auditorium from 8 to 11 p.m. All adults are invited to attend.

Anti-Pension Measures Up For Discussion

Effects of anti-pension measures pending before or passed by the State Legislature will be explained by speakers at a meeting of the California Institute of Social Welfare to be held Friday, June 22 at 3:30 p.m., CIO hall, 1316 Borden avenue.

One of the measures to be discussed is the bill by Assemblyman Richard Dolwig of San Mateo county, and co-authored by Assemblyman Arthur Connolly Jr. of San Francisco, which would authorize County Boards of Supervisors and City Councils to contract for the sale of bodies of deceased indigent aged persons to mortuary colleges for experimental purposes.

The bill has been passed by both houses of legislature and sent to the governor's office.



SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS... Mrs. J. J. Macdonald of the Court of St. Catherine of the Catholic Daughters of America, presents Judith Helen Bleser with a scholarship which she earned while a student at the Nativity Catholic School here. Rev. P. J. McGuinness earlier presented scholarships to William Otis Dunmyer (center) and Cleon Charles Richmond. (Herald photo).

City's Engineer Tackles Riviera Flood Problem

The problem of how to get rain run-off water out of the Riviera section without taking homes and gardens with it has been tackled by Jacob Joseph, new city engineer.

Joseph, a former New York City Engineer, says he probably will have a suggested permanent solution and several partial relief plans to offer to the Torrance City Council within a month.

At present he is studying rainfall figures and obtaining other facts which will help formulate a successful plan for handling the damaging rain run-off.

He indicated it was too early to arrive at any estimate of the cost of such an engineering project but did say that it would be a "considerable sum." After the engineering studies are presented to the council, it will remain for them to institute further studies to determine a method of financing the work he indicated.

He said the problem is without precedent in this area and that considerable time, effort and expense will be put forth before the problem is solved permanently.

New Ordinance Puts Nix on Alley Parking

It will be unlawful to park in alleys if a proposed ordinance is adopted by the City Council Tuesday night, at which time the new law will have its second and final reading.

The law, amending ordinance number 446, will make it illegal to stop, stand, or park a vehicle other than to unload in any city alley.

Difficulties encountered by city crews picking up trash, garbage and tin cans was one of the reasons given for drafting of the new law.